

Wheeling, West Virginia  
January 21, 2014

Council of the City of Wheeling met in Council Chambers, City-County Building on the above date with Mayor Andy McKenzie presiding.

The invocation was offered by Vice-Mayor Eugene Fahey.

On roll call, the following were present:

McKenzie, Imer, Henry, Miller, Atkinson and Fahey

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Mr. Fahey moved, seconded by Mr. Henry, that the minutes of the January 7, 2014 meeting be approved as received. Motion carried.

#### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

No Report

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

Mr. Fahey moved, seconded by Mr. Henry, that the Wheeling Human Rights Commission Minutes, 9/30/13; Wheeling Housing Authority Minutes, 10/16/13 & 11/13/13; Wheeling Municipal Parking System Financial Statement, 11/30/13; Robert C. Byrd Intermodal Transportation Center Financial Statement, 11/30/13; which were held over, be approved as received. Motion carried.

#### **REPORT OF CITY MANAGER**

City Manager Robert Herron reminded Council members that if they have any capital projects that they would like to be considered for the 2014-15 Budget, to please submit them by February 5, 2014. Mr. Herron commented on the demolition of the Gene Long Community Center building on Wheeling Island. He said that there has been some interest from various individuals, as well as WNHAC, about the bricks and preserving the flood wall. The contractor, Edgeo, Inc., is going to try to save the corner, however, there are no guarantees.

Mr. Fahey moved, seconded by Mr. Atkinson, to return to the Mayor's Report. Motion carried.

#### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor McKenzie commented that the West Virginia Municipal League Winter Conference that he, members of Council and the Administration were going to attend last week was cancelled due to the chemical spill in Charleston. The WVML is working on rescheduling the conference for sometime in February.

Mr. Fahey moved, seconded by Mr. Atkinson, to resume the regular order of business. Motion carried.

#### **REPORT OF OTHER OFFICERS**

Mr. Fahey moved, seconded by Mr. Henry, that the Historic Landmarks Commission Minutes, 12/5/13; Board of Zoning Appeals Minutes, 11/26/13; Wheeling-Ohio County Board of Health Minutes, 11/12/13; CDBG Program Status Report, 12/31/13; HOME Program Status Report, 12/31/13; and Financial Statement, 12/31/13; be held over until the next meeting. Motion carried.

#### **ORIGINAL PROPOSITIONS**

AUTHORIZING OVRTA BUS LEVY ELECTION

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHEELING PROVIDING FOR AN ELECTION TO AUTHORIZE ADDITIONAL TAX LEVIES FOR THE FISCAL YEARS BEGINNING JULY 1, 2015, JULY 1, 2016, AND JULY 1, 2017, TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR THE CITY OF WHEELING'S SHARE OF FUNDING FOR ANY DEFICIT OF OPERATING COSTS AND THE COSTS OF ACQUIRING CAPITAL EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES FOR THE SAME PERIOD FOR A SYSTEM OF URBAN MASS TRANSIT TO BE PROVIDED BY THE OHIO VALLEY REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY.

In response to a question from Mayor McKenzie, City Manager Herron clarified that the Board of OVRTA is asking that City Council put on the ballot for the voters to decide an increase in the levy. It is not being generated by City Council - it is a pass through at the request of OVRTA. Mayor McKenzie also questioned whether Wheeling, with a 15% increase in levy rates, would be subsidizing Benwood, who is only proposing a 5% increase. City Manager Herron pointed out that Wheeling does somewhat subsidize the system because we are the largest taxpayer; however, the City does receive more routes and bus service. He believes that there will be adjustments to Benwood's service should they choose a 5% increase.

OVIBDC - CITY'S SHARE OF VIDEO BOARDS AND OTHER ASSOCIATED ITEMS FOR WESBANCO ARENA

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000.00 WITH OHIO VALLEY INDUSTRIAL & BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, OF WHEELING, WV, FOR THE CITY'S SHARE OF VIDEO BOARDS AND OTHER ASSOCIATED ITEMS FOR WESBANCO ARENA, TO BE CHARGED TO TAX INCREMENT FINANCING.

A & H EQUIPMENT - PIPE INSPECTION CRAWLER (WPCD)

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$92,700.00 WITH A & H EQUIPMENT, OF BRIDGEVILLE, PA, FOR LONG RANGE CCTV PIPE INSPECTION CRAWLER, TO BE CHARGED TO WATER POLLUTION CONTROL DIVISION - #4001-04-0301-01C (\$71,300.00) & 4001-04-0301-01A (\$21,400.00).

RESOLUTION - APPROVING INVOICES - COMBINED WATERWORKS AND SEWERAGE SYSTEM REVENUE BONDS SERIES 2013

The following was then read:

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHEELING APPROVING INVOICES RELATING TO THE CONSTRUCTION AND OTHER SERVICES FOR THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT THEREOF.

Mr. Henry moved, seconded by Mr. Fahey, that the Resolution be adopted.  
Motion carried.

**THOSE WISHING TO BE HEARD**

There being no further business, Mr. Fahey moved, seconded by Mr. Atkinson, to adjourn. Motion carried. Time: 5:50 p.m.

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City Clerk

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Mayor